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TAGS: CI, PE, PFOR

SUBJECT: REPORT OF PERUVIAN PURCHASE OF MIG AIRCRAFT

REF: SANTIAGO 3438

1. DURING APRIL 27 CALL TO PERU DESK ON OTHER MATTERS,
PERUVIAN EMBOFF ASKED IF WE WERE AWARE OF REPORTS IN
BRITISH MAGAZINE "AIR INTERNATIONAL, ALSO CARRIED ON AP
APRIL 20, THAT PERU HAD RECEIVED TWELVE MIG-21 AIRCRAFT.
TEXT OF "AIR INTERNATIONAL" ARTICLE FOLLOWS:

QUOTE: PERU. PENDING DELIVERY OF THE 36 SUKHOI SU-22
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VARIABLE-GEOMETRY FIGHTER-BOMBERS CURRENTLY ON ORDER FOR
THE FUERZA AEREA DEL PERU (SEE AIRSCENE OCTOBER), THE
FAP HAS RECEIVED 12 EX-CUBAN MIG-21S WHICH ARE BEING
EMPLOYED IN THE OPERATIONAL TRAINING ROLE AFTER BASIC
PILOT CONVERSION BY PERUVIAN PERSONNEL IN CUBA.
APPROXIMATELY 100 CUBANS AND A SMALL NUMBER OF SOVIET
PERSONNEL ARE UNDERSTOOD TO BE WORKING IN PERU AS TECHNICAL

ADVISERS,BUT THE NUMBER OF FOREIGN PERSONNEL SECONDED
TO THE PERUVIAN ARMED FORCES IS EXPECTED TO INCREASE
DRAMATICALLY FOLLOWING ON RECENT ADDITIONAL ARMS ORDERS

PLACED IN THE SOVIET UNION BY GEN. VICTOR VELASQUEZ
DURING A RECENT VISIT TO MOSCOW, THESE ORDERS INCLUDED
SIX HELICOPTERS OF UNSPECIFIED TYPE, SURFACE-TO-AIR
MISSILES, AND RADAR AND COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT. END
QUOTE.

2. PERUVIAN EMBOFF FLATLY DENIED REPORT. HE SAID THAT
HE WAS GIVING US THIS INFORMATION PRECISELY TO DISPEL
ANY CONCERN THAT MIGHT ARISE.
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